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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Holger BIRK et al.

Title:

METHOD AND INSTRUMENT FOR MICROSCOPY

Appl. No.:

09/881,049

Appl. Filing Date:

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Examiner:

B. Healy

Art Unit:

2883

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1.	Submission	required	l under 37	C.F.R.	<u> </u>	(check items t	hat apply)

	a. Pre	viously submitted:
	[]	Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on
	[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered.
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[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37							
	C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on							
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[ <b>X</b> ]	Amendment/Reply.							
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).							
[]	Information Disclosure Statement.							
[]	Form PTO-1449 with copies of listed reference(s).							
[]	Other.							

## Miscellaneous:

[X] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of 3 months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		tra Claims esent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$790.00	=	\$790.00
Total Claims:	5	-	20	= 0		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	5	-	6	= 0		x	\$88.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of any	Multiple I	Depende	ent Claims:	+	\$300.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	TOTAL:	=	\$790.00

[ ] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00
[ ]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$430.00		\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$980.00	•	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,530.00	•	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,080.00		\$0.00
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	EXTENSION FE	EE TOTAL		\$0.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FE	E TOTAL:		\$790.00
[ ]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2	of above):		\$0.00
[X]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.103(c)		\$130.00
	TC	TAL FEE:		\$920.00

- [ ] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$920.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$920.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: October 29, 2004

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